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In re Application of BELLANGER :
U.S. Application No.: 10/553,468 :
PCT Application No.: PCT/FR2004/000903 :
Int. Filing Date: 13 April 2004 :
Priority Date Claimed: 17 April 2003 : COMMUNICATION
Attorney Docket No.: 279339US2PCT :
For: INTERACTIVE METHOD AND DEVICE :
FOR PROVIDING ASSISTANCE WITH :
MANUAL MOVEMENTS DURING :
MATERIAL PROCESSING :

This is in response to applicant's request for refund filed 20 November 2006.

BACKGROUND

On 13 April 2004, applicant filed international application PCT/FR2004/000903, which claimed priority of an earlier France application filed 17 April 2003. A copy of the international application was communicated to the USPTO from the International Bureau on 04 November 2004. The thirty-month period for paying the basic national fee in the United States expired on 17 October 2005.

On 17 October 2005, applicant filed national stage papers in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US). The submission was accompanied by, *inter alia*, the basic national fee required by 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1).

On 03 November 2005, applicant filed an executed declaration.

On 27 September 2006, the DO/EO/US mailed a Notice of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 (Form PCT/DO/EO/903), which indicated 03 November 2005 as the date of receipt of the 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(4) requirements.

On 20 November 2006, applicant filed the present request for refund.

DISCUSSION

The present request for refund is neither signed by the agent of record in accordance with 37 CFR 1.33(b) nor signed by a patent practitioner identified by his registration number in accordance with 37 CFR 1.34. Accordingly, a decision on the merits of the request will be held in abeyance until a properly signed request is furnished.

CONCLUSION

If consideration on the merits of the request is desired, a proper response must be filed within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this communication. Extensions of time are available under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Please direct further correspondence with respect to this matter to Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, Office of PCT Legal Administration, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, with the contents of the letter marked to the attention of the Office of PCT Legal Administration.



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Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition

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ADMINISTRATION

WE (I) the undersigned inventor(s), hereby declare(s) that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

We (I) believe that we are (I am) the original, first and joint (sole) inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled
INTERACTIVE METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PROVIDING ASSISTANCE WITH MANUAL MOVEMENTS DURING MATERIAL PROCESSING

the specification of which

- ☐ is attached hereto.
- ☐ was filed on _____ as
Application Serial No. _____
and amended on _____
- ☒ was filed as PCT international application
Number PCT/FR2004/000903
on 13.04.2004
and was amended under PCT Article 19
on _____ (if applicable).

We (I) hereby state that we (I) have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We (I) acknowledge the duty to disclose information known to be material to the patentability of this application as defined in Section 1.56 of Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations.

We (I) hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed. Prior Foreign Application(s)

Application No.	Country	Day/Month/Year	Priority Claimed
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